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Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . 4865th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Great Lakes region

   Report of the Secretary-General on preparations for an international conference on the Great Lakes region (S/2003/1099)

3 p.m. . . . . 4866th meeting (closed) . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

4 p.m. . . . . 4867th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

Ad Hoc Working Group on Conflict Prevention and Resolution in Africa

3 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

General Committee

10 a.m. . . . . Informal briefing[1] . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal briefing to hear Ms. Louise Fréchette, Deputy Secretary-General, on United Nations staff security

[1] Open to all delegations.

03-59805

Open-ended informal consultations of the plenary on the Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

11 a.m. 3rd meeting (closed) Trusteeship Council Chamber

Open-ended informal consultations of the plenary on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, chaired by the President of the General Assembly (agenda item 55) [A second Informal Note (Annex I) and Elements for consideration for a working text on revitalization of the General Assembly (Annex II) by the President of the General Assembly were faxed to all missions on Friday, 14 November 2003.]

Main Committees

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 52nd meeting Conference Room 1

3 p.m. 53rd meeting Conference Room 1

1. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [117 (b)]

Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/58/L.63, A/C.3/58/L.64, A/C.3/58/L.65, A/C.3/58/L.66, A/C.3/58/L.70, A/C.3/58/L.71 and A/C.3/58/L.72

2. Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [117 (c)]

Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/58/L.67, A/C.3/58/L.68 and A/C.3/58/L.69

3. Promotion and protection of the rights of children [113]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/58/L.25/Rev.1 and A/C.3/58/L.29

4. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [115]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/58/L.33/Rev.1 and A/C.3/58/L.34

5. Right of peoples to self-determination [116]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.31

6. Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments [117 (a)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.44

7. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [117 (b)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/58/L.50, A/C.3/58/L.51, A/C.3/58/L.53, A/C.3/58/L.54, A/C.3/58/L.55, A/C.3/58/L.56, A/C.3/58/L.58 and A/C.3/58/L.60

Fifth Committee

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 121 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005: Part XIII: Development Account (A/58/6 (Sect. 35), A/58/6 (Income Sect. 1), A/58/6 (Income Sect. 2), A/58/6 (Income Sect. 3), A/58/6/Corr.1, A/58/7, A/58/7/Corr.1 and A/58/16); and conclusion of questions and answers)

2.30–4.45 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 59 (Strengthening of the United Nations system: improvements to the current process of planning and budgeting (A/58/395, A/58/395/Corr.1 and A/58/7/Add.5); Report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the review of the United Nations budgetary process (A/58/375, A/58/395, A/58/395/Corr.1 and A/58/7/Add.5); and Intergovernmental review of the medium-term plan and the programme budget (A/57/786))

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. Meeting with the United Nations Foundation
2. Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization
3. Draft report

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Informal consultations under agenda item 47 (Follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Follow up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS" (agenda item 47), organized under the auspices of the Office of the President of the General Assembly and facilitated by H.E. Mr. Denis Dangue Réwaka, Permanent Representative of Gabon to the United Nations

Second Committee

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.25 entitled "Natural disasters and vulnerability" (agenda item 94 (e))" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

10 a.m.–12 noon . . . . Closed meeting . . . . Room C-209B

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.4 entitled "Implementation of the First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006)" (agenda item 98) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . Conference Room B

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.20 entitled "Science and technology for development" (agenda item 91 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . Conference Room 2

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.37 entitled "International migration and development" (agenda item 93 (c)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Portugal)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . Conference Room D

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.5 entitled "Human resources development" (agenda item 93 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)

11 a.m.–12 noon . . . . Closed meeting . . . . Conference Room A

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.38 entitled "Commodities" (agenda item 91 (g)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Guyana)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . Conference Room 4

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.36 entitled "Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the Occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources" (agenda item 103) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)

12 noon–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . Conference Room A

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.30 entitled "Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States" (agenda item 94 (d)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of New Zealand)

12 noon–2 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . Room C-209B

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.18 entitled "External debt crisis and development" (agenda item 91 (e)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Guatemala)

1–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . Conference Room D

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.41 entitled "Role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence" (agenda item 100) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Chile)

1–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . Conference Room 6

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.2 entitled "Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds and assets of illicit origin and returning such funds and assets to the countries of origin" (agenda item 92) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Portugal)

2–4 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Room C-209B

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.28 entitled "United Nations Institute for Training and Research" (agenda item 99 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Portugal)

3–4.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Room C-2963D

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.11 entitled "Convention on Biological Diversity" (agenda item 94 (c)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Peru)

3–5 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.27 entitled "Women in development" (agenda item 93 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)

3–5 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.17 entitled "International financial system and development" (agenda item 91 (d)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Guyana)

3–5 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.24 entitled "Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries" (agenda item 97 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran)

5.15–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Room C-209B

Other meetings

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Thursday, 20 November 2003

Group of 77 *(on racism)*

9–10 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

12–2 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Group of 77 (*on the Marrakech Conference on South-South Cooperation)*

10–11 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

11 a.m.–12 noon . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Group of 77 (*Second Committee: habitat; and cybersecurity)*

1.30–2.45 pm. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Group of 77 (*Second Committee: environment and sustainable development)*

2–3 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Group of 77 (*Second Committee: financing for development; and other macro-economic issues)*

3–6 pm. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)*

5–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

JUSCANZ Group *(on Third Committee matters)*

9–9.45 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International assistance and cooperation with the Alliance for the Sustainable Development of Central America" (agenda item 40 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Panama (on behalf of the Central American Group))

10–11 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (agenda item 40 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)

11–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

African Group *(on Fifth Committee matters)*

12.45–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

African Group: Group of Experts on Economic Matters

4.15–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism (item 117 b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

2–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Open-ended informal consultations of the draft resolution entitled "The right to development" (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Malaysia (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement))

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "Decade of the Education for Sustainable Development" (agenda item 96) (Second Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Japan)

5–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Round table "The Nexus Between the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus and Meeting the Millennium Development Goals"

There will be a round table on "The Nexus Between the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus and Meeting the Millennium Development Goals" *today*, 20 November 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room B. Mr. Alex Palmason, International Monetary Fund, New York Office, will lead the discussion. The event is co-sponsored by the World Federation of United Nations Associations and the NGO Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Panel discussion on "Information Session on the Work of the General Assembly and its Main Committees"

There will be a panel discussion on "Information Session on the Work of the General Assembly and its Main Committees", co-sponsored by the Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations (CONGO) and the NGO Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, *today*, 20 November 2003, from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. [For further information: tel. 1 (212) 986-8557].

United Nations Administrative Tribunal

The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will hold closed meetings *today*, 20 November 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in room DC2-0461.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Thursday, 20 November 2003

Room S-226

11.15 a.m. Background briefing by a senior United Nations official on migration, on the occasion of the first annual Distinguished Lecture on International Flows of Humanity, to be delivered by the Secretary-General at Columbia University, on Friday, 21 November 2003 [Delegations are invited to view the briefing in Studio 4, First Basement.]

Guest at 12 noon Ms. Catherine Bertini, Under-Secretary-General for Management (on the United Nations budget)

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Second Committee

The Second Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Friday, 21 November 2003, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2, to consider the following draft resolutions: A/C.2/58/L.6 (item 91 (b)), A/C.2/58/L.22 (item 94 (g)), A/C.2/58/L.21 (item 99 (b)) and A/C.2/58/L.36* (item 103), as well as other draft resolutions on which the informal "informals" have been completed.

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 20th meeting on Friday, 21 November 2003, at 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room 3, immediately followed by informal consultations (closed) in Conference Room 5. Informal consultations (closed) will also be held at 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

The Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East will meet on Wednesday, 3 December 2003, at 11 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 40 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)

Informal consultations on draft proposals under agenda item 40, chaired by H.E. Mr. Jean-Marc Hoscheit (Luxembourg), will be held on Friday, 21 November 2003, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 7. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Security Council

United Nations Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission (UNMOVIC)

The United Nations Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission (UNMOVIC), established under Security Council resolution 1284 (1999) of 17 December 1999, will hold a session of the College of Commissioners on Friday, 21 November 2003, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room E.

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
Extraordinary budget session for 2003

The extraordinary budget session of the Executive Board of UNICEF will take place on Monday and Tuesday, 1 and 2 December 2003, in Conference Room 2. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2003/14. Advance copies of the documents for the session are available on the UNICEF Web site (www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_15100.html). Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (fax 1 (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than Friday, 21 November 2003.

Other forthcoming meetings

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JUSCANZ Group *(on Third Committee matters)*

There will be a meeting of the JUSCANZ Group *(on Third Committee matters)* on Friday, 21 November 2003, from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room D.

JUSCANZ Group *(on Second Committee matters)*

There will be meetings of the JUSCANZ Group *(on Second Committee matters)* from 9 to 9.45 a.m., as follows: 26 November and 2 December 2003, in Conference Room 9; and 9 December, in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Towards global partnerships" (agenda item 46) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy)

There will be informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Toward global partnerships" (agenda item 46), organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy, on Friday, 21 November 2003, from 10 to 11 a.m. in *Conference Room 6.*

UNITAR Workshop Series on Policy Awareness and Training in Information Technology

As part of the series on Policy Awareness and Training in Information Technology, the third and final high-level seminar of this year on "Policy Awareness and Security Issues on Information Technology", organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), will be held on Friday, 21 November 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 4. This interactive seminar is primarily aimed at ambassadors and other diplomats. However, all interested staff members as well as representatives of

non-governmental organizations are welcome to attend. This is the second year of the series, presented under the auspices of the ICT Task Force and the Working Group on Informatics, and implemented with the active participation and sponsorship of Intel Corporation. For further information please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684).

Southern African Development Community (SADC) *(at the Third Committee experts level)*

There will be a meeting of Southern African Development Community (SADC) *(at the Third Committee experts level)* on Friday, 21 November 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Meeting of interested delegations on the draft resolution entitled "Responding to global threats and challenges" (agenda item 60) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation)

There will a meeting of interested delegations on the draft resolution entitled "Responding to global threats and challenges" (agenda item 60), organized by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation, on Friday, 21 November 2003, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

United Nations Office for Project Services

There will be an informal consultation on various issues contained in Executive Board decisions 2003/26 and 2003/27, on Monday, 24 November 2003, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, in the Main Conference Room (4th floor) at UNOPS Headquarters.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution under agenda items 28 and 40 (f) (Afghanistan) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany)

There will be informal consultations on the draft resolution under agenda items 28 and 40 (f) (Afghanistan), organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany, on Monday, 24 November 2003, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

UNITAR seminar on "The Use of Local Energy Resources for Local Purposes: Natural Gas and Rural Poverty"

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a seminar on "The Use of Local Energy Resources for Local Purposes: Natural Gas and Rural Poverty", to be held on the following dates: Monday, 1 December 2003, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; and Tuesday, 2 December, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. A letter has been sent to all the permanent missions in New York. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

UNITAR/OLA seminar on deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Treaty Section of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs (OLA) are jointly conducting a seminar on deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties. The

seminar, to be conducted in English, will be held on Wednesday, 3 and Thursday, 4 December 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., in Conference Room 9.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, the tentative programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all permanent missions in New York. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 26 November 2003. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 1 (212) 963-9196).

UNITAR/WTO workshop on international trade negotiations

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the World Trade Organization (WTO) are jointly organizing a workshop on international trade negotiations, as part of the international trade series. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held from Monday, 8 December, to Wednesday, 10 December 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, the tentative programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all permanent missions in New York. The registration deadline is Monday, 1 December 2003. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 1 (212) 963-9196).

Announcements

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Thursday, 6 November 2003, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Global Forum of Indigenous Peoples and the Information Society

On the occasion of the World Summit on the Information Society, the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues is organizing a major parallel conference, the Global Forum of Indigenous Peoples and the Information Society, to be held in Geneva from 8 to 11 December 2003. Information regarding the proposed agenda and programme of work is available at www.un.org/esa/socdev/pfii/. Delegations of Member States wishing to register may contact Mr. John G. Scott, Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (e-mail scott9@un.org).

Summary of meetings

Wednesday, 19 November 2003

Security Council

4861st meeting — *The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Kieran Prendergast, Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs.

The Council heard a briefing by Mr. Kieran Prendergast.

4862nd meeting — *The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Israel, at his request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to a letter dated 19 November 2003 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations (S/2003/1102), requesting an invitation to participate in the meeting in accordance with the Council's previous practice. In accordance with the rules of procedure and the previous practice in this regard, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations to participate in the discussion.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2003/1100, submitted by Bulgaria, Chile, China, France, Germany, Guinea, Mexico, the Russian Federation, Spain and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution (S/2003/1100) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2003/1100) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1515 (2003).

4863rd meeting — *The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo*

Letter dated 23 October 2003 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2003/1027)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, at his request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and the provisional rules of procedure of the Council.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2003/21).

4864th meeting — *The importance of mine action for peacekeeping operations*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2003/22).

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Main Committees

Third Committee

50th meeting

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms . . . . . [117 (b)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.54

The representative of Algeria introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document as well as Bhutan.

El Salvador, Ethiopia, Qatar and the United Republic of Tanzania joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.55

The representative of India introduced and corrected the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Cyprus, Ecuador, France, Honduras, Italy, New Zealand, Panama, Slovakia, Slovenia, Thailand and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, South Africa and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution, as corrected.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.58

The representative of Norway introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Spain.

Albania, Bulgaria, Ecuador, Honduras, Mauritius, Micronesia (Federated States of), Romania and the United States of America joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of document A/C.3/58/L.59

The representative of Egypt introduced and corrected the document, on behalf of the sponsors listed.

Indonesia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution, as corrected.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.60

The representative of Brazil introduced and corrected the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Croatia, El Salvador, Haiti, Honduras, Lesotho and Lithuania.

The Congo, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Mauritius, Namibia, the Niger, Nigeria, the Philippines, Rwanda, Saint Lucia, Sierra Leone, Swaziland, Tunisia, Uganda, the United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe joined in sponsoring the draft resolution, as corrected.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.62

The representative of Australia introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Bolivia, Cambodia, Guatemala, Lebanon, Lithuania, the Republic of Moldova, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Serbia and Montenegro and South Africa.

Albania, Angola, Armenia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Côte d'Ivoire, El Salvador, Ethiopia, the Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Madagascar, Morocco, Mozambique, Panama, the Philippines, Romania, the Russian Federation, Sierra Leone, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, the United States of America, the United Republic of Tanzania and Zambia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.47

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

Mauritius and Swaziland joined in sponsoring the draft resolution, which was then adopted by the Committee.

Statements were made by the representatives of Switzerland (also on behalf of Australia, Canada, Liechtenstein, New Zealand and Norway) and Cuba.

51st meeting

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 117 (b).

Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/58/L.50, A/C.3/58/L.51 and A/C.3/58/L.52

The representative of Malaysia introduced the draft resolutions, on behalf of the members of the Non-Aligned Movement, as well as China.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.53

The representative of Brazil introduced and orally revised the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Azerbaijan, Bolivia, Burkina Faso, El Salvador, France, Germany, Lithuania, Mali and Norway.

Afghanistan, Kenya, Nigeria, Portugal and Sierra Leone joined in sponsoring the draft resolution, as orally revised.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.56

The representative of Cameroon introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.57

The representative of Norway introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cyprus, El Salvador, Greece, Luxembourg and Mali.

Albania, Bolivia, Bulgaria, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Ecuador, Japan, Micronesia (Federated States of) and Panama joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.61

The representative of the United States introduced and orally revised and corrected the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Armenia, Australia, Azerbaijan, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Micronesia (Federated States of), Monaco, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and Spain.

Afghanistan, Albania, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cape Verde, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Fiji, Iceland, India, Panama, the Russian Federation, Sierra Leone and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution, as orally revised and corrected.

Organization of work

Statements were made by the representatives of Malaysia, Kenya, Cuba, Mali, China, Egypt, the Syrian Arab Republic and Chile.

The Secretary and the Chairman responded to questions raised.

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
Thirty-first session
United Nations Office at Geneva

Wednesday, 19 November 2003

44th–45th meetings *Consideration of reports* [6]

(a) Reports submitted by States parties in accordance with articles 16 and 17 of the Covenant

(b) Reports submitted by specialized agencies in accordance with article 18 of the Covenant

The Committee began its consideration of the second periodic report of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (E/1990/6/Add.35). In accordance with rule 62 of the Committee's rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at the meetings, introduced the report and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Amendment to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (with Protocols I, II and III). Geneva, 21 December 2001

Approval: Norway (18 November 2003)[1]

Entry into force of the amendment: (18 May 2004)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

United Nations Convention Against Corruption. New York, 31 October 2003

Opening for signature

The above Convention was adopted on 31 October 2003, during the plenary meeting of the General Assembly at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

The Convention will be open for signature from 9 to 11 December 2003 at the "Centro de Convenciones y Exposiciones Yucatán Siglo XXI" in Mérida, Mexico, and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters in New York until 9 December 2005 by all States and by regional economic integration organizations, provided that at least one Member State of such organization is a signatory to the Convention.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in the possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities. Full powers are distinct from credentials. Credentials alone are not adequate for the purpose of signing a treaty.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Convention could, as necessary, provide copies of the required full powers by *4 December 2003* to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in New York (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org). Original instruments of full powers should be provided to the depositary representative at the signature ceremony.

Other announcements

DPI/NGO briefing

This week, the topic of the DPI/NGO will be "Town Hall Meeting on the Theme of the Fifty-seventh DPI/NGO Annual Conference". The Briefing will be held *today*, 20 November 2003, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Tala Dowlatshahi, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-1859).

Lecture series to mark the birth centenary of Ralph Bunche

The Department of Public Information, in association with the Ralph Bunche Institute for International Studies of the City University of New York Graduate Center, is holding a series of lectures to mark the birth centenary of Ralph Bunche. The second lecture, entitled "From Ralph Bunche to Lakhdar Brahimi: The Future of Peacekeeping and

Mediation", will be held *today*, 20 November 2003, from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Mr. David Malone, President of International Peace Academy, will be the keynote speaker and H.E. Mr. Kishore Mahbubani, Permanent Representative of Singapore, and Dame Margaret Anstee, former Under-Secretary-General, who served as Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Angola and Chief, United Nations Angola Verification Mission (UNAVEM III), will be the discussants. Sir Brian Urquhart, former Under Secretary-General, will moderate the event, which will be introduced by Mr. Shashi Tharoor, Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on 19 November 2003.

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	Fifty-eighth session
A/58/PV.10	Meeting held on 24 September 2003, 3 p.m. [S]
A/58/PV.11	Meeting held on 25 September 2003, 10 a.m. [R]
A/58/PV.22	Meeting held on 2 October 2003, 3 p.m. [F]
A/58/PV.43	Meeting held on 27 October 2003, 10 a.m. [E]
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	Fifty-eighth session
A/58/3 (Part II)/Corr.1	Item 12 — Report of the Economic and Social Council — Report of the Economic and Social Council for 2003 [A C E F R S]
A/58/451	Item 62 — Reduction of military budgets — Report of the First Committee [A C E F R S]
A/58/459	Item 70 — Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East — Report of the First Committee [A C E F R S]
A/58/463	Item 74 — Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly — Report of the First Committee [A C E F R S]
A/58/466	Item 77 — Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects — Report of the First Committee [A C E F R S]
A/58/469	Item 80 — Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction — Report of the First Committee [A C E F R S]
A/58/598	Items 120, 121 and 161 — Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 — Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 — Financing of the United Nations Mission in Côte d'Ivoire — Budget for the United Nations Mission in Côte d'Ivoire — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/601	Item 19 — Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples — Note verbale dated 12 November 2003 from the Permanent Mission of St. Kitts and Nevis to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]

A/58/L.15/Add.1 — Item 20 — Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies — 130-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]

A/58/L.17 — Item 39 (a) — New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support — Morocco: draft resolution [A C E F R S]

Second Committee

A/C.2/58/L.43 — Items 94 (b) and 121 — Environment and sustainable development — Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 — Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa — Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.7 — Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]

A/C.2/58/L.44 — Items 94 (f) and 121 — Environment and sustainable development: protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind — Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 — Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind — Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.14 — Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]

Third Committee

A/C.3/58/L.30/Rev.2 — Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Israel: revised draft resolution — The situation of and assistance to Israeli children [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/58/L.50 — Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Malaysia: draft resolution — Enhancement of international cooperation in the field of human rights [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/58/L.51 — Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Malaysia: draft resolution — Human rights and unilateral coercive measures [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/58/L.52 — Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Malaysia: draft resolution — The right to development [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/58/L.53 — Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 32-Power draft resolution — The right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/58/L.54 — Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 29-Power draft resolution — Human rights and terrorism [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/58/L.55 — Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 43-Power draft resolution — National institutions for the promotion and protection of human rights [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/58/L.56	Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 12-Power draft resolution — Subregional Centre for Human Rights and Democracy in Central Africa [A C E F R S]
A/C.3/58/L.57	Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 52-Power Draft resolution — Protection of and assistance to internally displaced persons [A C E F R S]
A/C.3/58/L.58	Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 61-Power draft resolution — Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms [A C E F R S]
A/C.3/58/L.59	Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 9-Power amendments to draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.30/Rev.1 — The situation of and assistance to Israeli children [A C E F R S]
A/C.3/58/L.60	Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 32-Power Draft resolution — Access to medication in the context of pandemics such as HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria [A C E F R S]
A/C.3/58/L.61	Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 40-Power draft resolution — Strengthening the role of the United Nations in enhancing the effectiveness of the principle of periodic and genuine elections and the promotion of democratization [A C E F R S]
A/C.3/58/L.62	Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 72-Power draft resolution — United Nations Decade for Human Rights Education, 1995-2004 [A C E F R S]
	Fifth Committee
A/C.5/58/L.13	Item 127 — Human resources management — List of staff of the United Nations Secretariat — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

Security Council	**Documents**
S/2003/968	Letter dated 2 October 2003 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2003/1038	Letter dated 24 October 2003 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2003/1095	Letter dated 14 November 2003 from the Permanent Representative of South Africa to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2003/1096	Letter dated 11 November 2003 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

S/2003/1099 Report of the Secretary-General on preparations for an international conference on the Great Lakes region [A C E F R S]

S/Agenda/4860 Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999)

S/AC.37/2003/(1455)/68 Note verbale dated 28 August 2003 from the Permanent Mission of Monaco to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee [A C E F R S]

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

Documents

Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

CEDAW/C/BTN/1-6/Corr.1

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 18 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women — Combined initial, second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth periodic reports — Bhutan [A C E F R S]

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Official meetings

Friday, 21 November 2003

Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . 4869th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

3 p.m. . . . . Consultations of the whole (closed) . . . . . Consultations Room

Cyprus (S/2003/1078)

Other matters

United Nations Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission (UNMOVIC)

College of Commissioners

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

Military Staff Committee

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 1522nd meeting (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 9

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General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Main Committees

Second Committee

3–4.30 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) . . . Conference Room 2

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Ms. Irena Zubcević (Croatia) on: A/C.2/58/L.6 (item 91 (b)), A/C.2/58/L.22 (item 94 (g)), A/C.2/58/L.13 (item 96), A/C.2/58/L.21 (item 99 (b)) and A/C.2/58/L.36* (item 103)

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 54th meeting . . . Conference Room 1

3 p.m. 55th meeting . . . Conference Room 1

1. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms . . . [117 (b)]

   Introduction of documents A/C.3/58/L.73, A/C.3/58/L.74, A/C.3/58/L.75, A/C.3/58/L.76, A/C.3/58/L.77, A/C.3/58/L.78 and A/C.3/58/L.81

2. Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives . . . [117 (c)]

   Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/58/L.67, A/C.3/58/L.68/Rev.1[1] and A/C.3/58/L.79

3. Promotion and protection of the rights of children . . . [113]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.25/Rev.1

4. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action . . . [115 (b)]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/58/L.34

5. Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments . . . [117 (a)]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.44

6. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms . . . [117 (b)]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/58/L.57, A/C.3/58/L.63, A/C.3/58/L.64, A/C.3/58/L.65 and A/C.3/58/L.72

7. Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives . . . [117 (c)]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.69

[1] To be issued.

Fifth Committee

9.30 a.m. 20th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

1. Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (A/58/381, A/58/447 and A/58/447/Corr.1) . . . . . [138]

   Conclusion of general discussion

2. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations . . . . . [134]

   Special measures for protection from sexual exploitation and sexual abuse (A/58/559)

   Conclusion of general discussion

3. Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 . . . . . [120]

   Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 . . . . . [121]

   Financing of the United Nations Mission in Côte d'Ivoire . . . . . [161]

   (A/58/370, A/58/535, A/C.5/58/12, A/58/598 and A/58/538)

   Introduction and general discussion

4. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Liberia (A/58/539 and A/58/591) . . [165]

   Introduction and general discussion

Morning[1]–12.30 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 138 (Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (A/58/381, A/58/447 and A/58/447/Corr.1))

2.30–4.45 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 165 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in Liberia (A/58/539 and A/58/591)); and 125 (Pattern of conferences (A/58/32, A/58/194/Corr.1, A/58/194/Corr.2, A/58/213, A/57/783, A/57/809, A/58/7, A/58/7/Corr.1 and A/58/7/Add.1))

[1] Following the adjournment of the 20th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. Improvements to the current process of planning and budgeting
2. Illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects
3. Draft report

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 40 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)

3 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Informal consultations on draft proposals under agenda item 40, chaired by H.E. Mr. Jean-Marc Hoscheit (Luxembourg)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (agenda item 40 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)

Afternoon[1] Closed meeting Conference Room 7

[1] Following the adjournment of the informal consultations on agenda item 40.

Second Committee

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.12 entitled "Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its twenty-second session" (agenda item 94) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany)

10 a.m.–12 noon Closed meeting Conference Room D

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.17 entitled "International financial system and development" (agenda item 91 (d)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Guyana)

10.30 a.m.–12 noon Closed meeting Room S-2963D

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.18 entitled "External debt crisis and development" (agenda item 91 (e)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Guatemala)

12 noon–1 p.m. Closed meeting Room S-2963D

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.27 entitled "Women in development" (agenda item 93 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)

12 noon–2 p.m. Closed meeting Room C-209B

Informal "informals" on draft resolutions A/C.2/58/L.31 entitled "Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and the strengthening of the United Nations Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)"; and A/C.2/58/L.35 entitled "Rules of Procedure of the Governing Council of UN-Habitat" (agenda item 101) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada)

12 noon–2 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Informal "informals" on draft resolutions A/C.2/58/L.39 entitled "High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development"; and A/C.2/58/L.40 entitled "Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development" (agenda item 104) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Cameroon)

12 noon–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C 2/58/L.4 entitled "Implementation of the First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) (agenda item 98) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil)

1–3 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/L.8 entitled "Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development" (agenda item 95) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic)

2–3 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Room C-209B

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.10 entitled "International Strategy for Disaster Reduction" (agenda item 94 (e)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland)

3–4.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Informal "informals" on draft resolutions A/C.2/58/L.7 entitled "Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in those countries experiencing serious drought and/or desertification, particularly in Africa"; and A/C.2/58/L.15 entitled "International Year of Deserts and Desertification, 2004" (agenda item 94 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Nigeria)

3–5 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Room S-2963D

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.17 entitled "International financial system and development" (agenda item 91 (d)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Guyana)

3–5 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.30 entitled "Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States" (agenda item 94 (d)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of New Zealand)

4.30–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.24 entitled "Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries" (agenda item 97 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran)

5.15–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Other meetings

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JUSCANZ Group *(on Third Committee matters)*

9–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Group of 77 *(Second Committee: habitat; and trade)*

10 a.m.–12 noon Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Group of 77 *(on Third Committee issues)*

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Group of 77 *(on the Marrakech Conference on South-South Cooperation)*

12 noon–2 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)*

1–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Group of 77 *(Second Committee: environment and sustainable development)*

2–3 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Group of 77 *(Second Committee: science and technology; and cybersecurity)*

5–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting General Assembly Hall

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Towards global partnerships" (agenda item 46) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy)

10–11 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

UNITAR Workshop Series on Policy Awareness and Training in Information Technology

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Caribbean Community (CARICOM) *(on Second Committee matters)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled " World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance and the Comprehensive Implementation of and follow up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action" (agenda item 115 (b)) (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Morocco)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Southern African Development Community (SADC) *(at the Third Committee experts level)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

African Group *(at the ambassadorial level)*

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Meeting of interested delegations on the draft resolution entitled "Responding to global threats and challenges" (agenda item 60) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation)

3–4 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

United Nations Administrative Tribunal

The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will hold closed meetings *today*, 21 November 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in room DC2-0461.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Friday, 21 November 2003

Room S-226

1 p.m. Ms. Denise Nappier, Treasurer of the State of Connecticut; Mr. Phil Angelides, Treasurer of the State of California; Mr. Alan Hevesi, Comptroller of the State of New York; and Ms. Mindy Lubbers, Executive Director of the Coalition for Environmentally Responsible Economies (sponsored by the United Nations Fund for International Partnerships (UNFIP))

Forthcoming official meetings

Monday, 24 November 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10 a.m. . . . . 63rd plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Oceans and the law of the sea [52 (a) and (b)]: *joint debate*

(a) Oceans and the law of the sea

(i) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/58/65, A/58/65/Corr.1, A/58/65/Add.1 and A/58/423)

(ii) Report of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea at its fourth meeting (A/58/95)

(iii) Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/58/16, chapter III, section C.2)

(iv) Draft resolution (A/58/L.19)

(b) Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments:

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/58/215)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/58/L.18)

3 p.m. . . . . 64th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

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(a) Oceans and the law of the sea

(i) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/58/65, A/58/65/Corr.1, A/58/65/Add.1 and A/58/423)

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Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 21st meeting, on Monday 24 November 2003, at 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room 3, immediately followed by informal consultations (closed) in Conference Room 5. Informal consultations (closed) will also be held at 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

The Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East will meet on Wednesday, 3 December 2003, at 11 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Economic and Social Council

The Economic and Social Council will hold informal "informals", chaired by Mr. José Briz Gutiérrez (Guatemala), on Wednesday, 26 November 2003, from 9 to 10 a.m. in Conference Room D, to discuss item 13 (a) (Economic and environmental questions: Sustainable development) (Decision 11/2: Bureau of the Commission on Sustainable Development).

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
Extraordinary budget session for 2003

The extraordinary budget session of the Executive Board of UNICEF will take place on Monday and Tuesday, 1 and 2 December 2003, in Conference Room 2. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2003/14. Advance copies of the documents for the session are available on the UNICEF Web site (www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_15100.html). Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (fax 1 (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than Friday, 21 November 2003.

Other forthcoming meetings

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United Nations Office for Project Services

There will be an informal consultation on various issues contained in Executive Board decisions 2003/26 and 2003/27, on Monday, 24 November 2003, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, in the Main Conference Room (4th floor) at UNOPS Headquarters.

Group of 77 (*Second Committee: environment and sustainable development*)

There will be meetings of the Group of 77 (*Second Committee: environment and sustainable development*) on 24 and 26 November 2003 from 2 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Group of 77 *(at the ambassadorial level)*

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(at the ambassadorial level)* on Wednesday, 26 November 2003, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution under agenda items 28 and 40 (f) (Afghanistan) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany)

There will be informal consultations on the draft resolution under agenda items 28 and 40 (f) (Afghanistan), organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany, on Monday, 24 November 2003, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

JUSCANZ Group *(on Second Committee matters)*

There will be meetings of the JUSCANZ Group *(on Second Committee matters)* from 9 to 9.45 a.m., as follows: 26 November and 2 December 2003, in Conference Room 9; and 9 December, in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Towards global partnerships" (agenda item 46) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy)

There will be informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Toward global partnerships" (agenda item 46), organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy, on Wednesday, 26 November 2003, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

UNITAR seminar on "The Use of Local Energy Resources for Local Purposes: Natural Gas and Rural Poverty"

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a seminar on "The Use of Local Energy Resources for Local Purposes: Natural Gas and Rural Poverty", to be held on the following dates: Monday, 1 December 2003, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; and Tuesday, 2 December, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. A letter has been sent to all the permanent missions in New York. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

UNITAR/OLA seminar on deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Treaty Section of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs (OLA) are jointly conducting a seminar on deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties. The seminar, to be conducted in English, will be held on Wednesday, 3 and Thursday, 4 December 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., in Conference Room 9.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, the tentative programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all permanent missions in New York. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 26 November 2003. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 1 (212) 963-9196).

UNITAR/WTO workshop on international trade negotiations

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the World Trade Organization (WTO) are jointly organizing a workshop on international trade negotiations, as part of the international trade series. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held from Monday, 8 December, to Wednesday, 10 December 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, the tentative programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all permanent missions in New York. The registration deadline is Monday, 1 December 2003. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 1 (212) 963-9196).

Announcements

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Thursday, 6 November 2003, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Global Forum of Indigenous Peoples and the Information Society

On the occasion of the World Summit on the Information Society, the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues is organizing a major parallel conference, the Global Forum of Indigenous Peoples and the Information Society, to be held in Geneva from 8 to 11 December 2003. Information regarding the proposed agenda and programme of work is available at www.un.org/esa/socdev/pfii/. Delegations of Member States wishing to register may contact Mr. John G. Scott, Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (e-mail scott9@un.org).

Summary of meetings

Thursday, 20 November 2003

Security Council

4865th meeting

Expression of sympathy

The President of the Security Council made a statement expressing his sympathy to the Governments and peoples of Turkey and the United Kingdom for the tragic loss of life that had resulted from the bombing in Turkey on 20 November.

The situation in the Great Lakes region

Report of the Secretary-General on preparations for an International Conference on the Great Lakes region (S/2003/1099)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended invitations under rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to the Minister of the Presidency for Parliamentary and Diplomatic Issues of Mozambique, His Excellency Mr. Francisco Madeira, and to the Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of the United Republic of Tanzania, His Excellency Mr. Abdulkader Sharees.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Italy, at his request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended invitations under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to the Special Envoy of the Chairperson of the African Union Commission for the Great Lakes Region, His Excellency Mr. Keli Walubita, and to the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Great Lakes Region, Mr. Ibrahima Fall.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a statement by the Secretary-General.

The Council heard statements by His Excellency Mr. Madeira (on behalf of the Presidency of the African Union) and by His Excellency Mr. Sharees.

The Council heard a statement under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by His Excellency Mr. Keli Walubita.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Italy (speaking on behalf of the European Union and the acceding countries – Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, and the associated countries – Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, and the EFTA country, Iceland, member of the European Economic Area, which aligned themselves with the statement).

The Council heard a briefing by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General, Mr. Fall.

Statements were made by the representatives of France, China, the United States, the United Kingdom, the Russian Federation, the Syrian Arab Republic, Mexico, Bulgaria, Spain, Chile, Pakistan, Cameroon, Germany and Guinea, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Angola.

Mr. Fall and His Excellency Mr. Madeira responded to comments and questions raised.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2003/23).

4866th meeting (closed) *Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B*

The Security Council met in private. At the close of the meeting, the following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"On 20 November 2003, the Security Council, pursuant to annex II, sections A and B of resolution 1353 (2001), held its 4866th meeting in private with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP).

"The Security Council and the troop-contributing countries heard a briefing under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by Mr. Wolfgang Weisbrod-Weber, Officer-in-Charge of the Europe and Latin America Division of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations."

4867th meeting *Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2003/1106, prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution (S/2002/1106) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2002/1106) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1516 (2003).

Following the vote, the representative of Turkey made a statement.

4868th meeting *The situation between Iraq and Kuwait*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by the Secretary-General.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2003/24).

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Main Committees

Third Committee

52nd-53rd meetings — The summary of the 52nd and 53rd meetings of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2003/226).

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
Thirty-first session
United Nations Office at Geneva

Thursday, 20 November 2003

46th meeting — *Consideration of reports* . . . . . [6]

(a) Reports submitted by States parties in accordance with articles 16 and 17 of the Covenant

(b) Reports submitted by specialized agencies in accordance with article 18 of the Covenant

The Committee continued its consideration of the second periodic report of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (E/1990/6/Add.35).

47th meeting — The Committee began to adopt the concluding observations on the initial report of Yemen (E/1990/5/Add.52).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety to the Convention on Biological Diversity. Montreal, 29 January 2000

Ratification: United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (19 November 2003)[1]

Ratification: Iran (Islamic Republic of) (20 November 2003)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal. Basel, 22 March 1989

Entry into force of amendments to Annexes VIII and IX of the Convention: (20 November 2003)[1]

United Nations Convention Against Corruption. New York, 31 October 2003

Opening for signature

The above Convention was adopted on 31 October 2003, during the plenary meeting of the General Assembly at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

The Convention will be open for signature from 9 to 11 December 2003 at the "Centro de Convenciones y Exposiciones Yucatán Siglo XXI" in Mérida, Mexico, and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters in New York until 9 December 2005 by all States and by regional economic integration organizations, provided that at least one Member State of such organization is a signatory to the Convention.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in the possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities. Full powers are distinct from credentials. Credentials alone are not adequate for the purpose of signing a treaty.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Convention could, as necessary, provide copies of the required full powers by *4 December 2003* to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in New York (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org). Original instruments of full powers should be provided to the depositary representative at the signature ceremony.

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

UNIFEM event on the occasion of the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women (25 November)

On the occasion of the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women, the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) will hold a special event entitled "Not A Minute More" on Monday, 24 November 2003, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in

Conference Room 4. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Ms. Rabya Nizam (UNIFEM) (tel. 1 (212) 906-5538; e-mail rabya.nizam@undp.org).

Web sites

President of the General Assembly:
www.un.org/ga/president

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www.un.org/sc

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:
www.un.org/arabic/documents/SCCommittees/1373
www.un.org/chinese/aboutun/prinorgs/sc/committees/1373/1373.htm
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Italian presidency of the European Union:
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Department of Economic and Social Affairs:
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Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on 20 November 2003.

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A/58/7/Add.9	Items 120 and 121 — Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 — Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 — Administrative expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund — Tenth report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S]
A/58/7/Add.11	Item 121 — Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 — Revised estimates: effect of changes in rates of exchange and inflation — Twelfth report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S]
A/58/203/Add.1	Item 73 (q) — General and complete disarmament: transparency in armaments — United Nations Register of Conventional Arms — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/452	Item 63 — Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification — Report of the First Committee [A C E F R S]
A/58/464	Item 75 — Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session — Report of the First Committee [A C E F R S]
A/58/465	Item 76 — The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East — Report of the First Committee [A C E F R S]
A/58/467	Item 78 — Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region — Report of the First Committee [A C E F R S]
A/58/496	Item 105 — Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly — Report of the Third Committee [A C E F R S]
A/58/557	Item 83 — United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East — Letter dated 6 November 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/569	Item 121 — Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 — Administration and management of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/593	Item 132 — Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 — Second performance report of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia for the biennium 2002-2003 — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/596	Item 134 — Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations — Transfer of buildings to the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

A/58/597 Item 131 — Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of Internatic .al Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 — Second performance report of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda for the biennium 2002-2003 — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

A/C.4/58/INF/3 Checklist of reports of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) to the General Assembly on agenda items 81 to 90, 12 and 19 — Note by the Secretariat [E (only)]

Third Committee

A/C.3/58/L.22/Rev.1 Item 110 — Advancement of women — 51-Power revised draft resolution — Elimination of domestic violence against women [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/58/L.63 Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 43-Power draft resolution — Effective promotion of the Declaration on the Rights of Persons Belonging to National or Ethnic, Religious and Linguistic Minorities [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/58/L.64 Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 50-Power draft resolution — Human rights in the administration of justice [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/58/L.65 Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 75-Power draft resolution — Elimination of all forms of religious intolerance [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/58/L.66 Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 33-Power draft resolution — In-depth study on all forms of violence against women [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/58/L.67 Item 117 (c) — Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — 30-Power draft resolution — Situation of human rights in Turkmenistan [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/58/L.68 Item 117 (c) — Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — 21-Power draft resolution — Situation of human rights in Myanmar [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/58/L.69 Item 117 (c) — Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — 10-Power draft resolution — Situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/58/L.70 Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 89-Power draft resolution — The right to food [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/58/L.71 Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental

freedoms — 37-Power draft resolution — Protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/58/L.72 Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 32-Power draft resolution — Respect for the purposes and principles contained in the Charter of the United Nations to achieve international cooperation in promoting and encouraging respect for human rights and for fundamental freedoms and in solving international problems of a humanitarian character [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/58/L.73 Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 15-Power draft resolution — Respect for the principles of national sovereignty and diversity of democratic systems in electoral processes as an important element for the promotion and protection of human rights [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/58/L.74 Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 11-Power draft resolution — Protection of migrants [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/58/L.75 Item 117 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 21-Power draft resolution — Situation of human rights in Cambodia [A C E F R S]

Fifth Committee

A/C.5/58/L.17 Item 143 (a) — Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991): United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission — Draft decision submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations — Financing of the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission [A C E F R S]

Security Council **Documents**

S/2003/862 Letter dated 5 September 2003 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

S/2003/912 Letter dated 3 July 2003 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

S/2003/1042 Letter dated 23 October 2003 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

S/2003/1094 Letter dated 13 November 2003 from the President of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

S/2003/1100 Bulgaria, Chile, China, France, Germany, Guinea, Mexico, Russian Federation, Spain and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland: draft resolution [A C E F R S]

S/2003/1102	Letter dated 19 November 2003 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
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S/RES/1515 (2003)	Adopted by the Security Council at its 4862nd meeting [A C E F R S]

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999) concerning Al-Qaida and the Taliban and associated individuals and entities

S/AC.37/2003/(1455)/82	Note verbale dated 5 November 2003 from the Permanent Mission of Nicaragua to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee [A C E F R S]
S/PRST/2003/21	Statement by the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/PRST/2002/22	Statement by the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

Economic and Social Council

Documents

E/2003/INF/2/Add.4/Corr.1

Resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 2003 (30 June-25 July 2003) [S (only)]

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
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E/C.2/2003/2/Add.12	Quadrennial reports for the period 1996-1999, submitted through the Secretary-General pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31 — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

Secretariat

ST/AI/2003/8	Administrative instruction — Retention in service beyond the mandatory age of separation and employment of retirees [E F (only)]

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10 a.m — 4870th meeting — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Cyprus

   Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Operation in Cyprus (S/2003/1078)

Morning[1] — 4871st meeting — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Central African region

   Letter dated 10 November 2003 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2003/1077)

4 p.m — 4872nd meeting — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
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Afternoon[2] — 4873rd meeting — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Côte d'Ivoire

Afternoon[3] — 4874th meeting (closed) — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Côte d'Ivoire

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 4870th meeting.
[2] To be held following the adjournment of the 4872nd meeting.
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(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/58/215)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/58/L.18)

Main Committees

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 55th meeting Conference Room 1

1. Promotion and protection of the rights of children [113]

   Introduction of document A/C.3/58/L.83

2. Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [117 (c)]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.79

3. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [117 (b)]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/58/L.49, A/C.3/58/L.66, A/C.3/58/L.70, A/C.3/58/L.73, A/C.3/58/L.74, A/C.3/58/L.76 and A/C.3/58/L.77

4. Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [117 (c)]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.67

3 p.m. 56th meeting Conference Room 1

1. Advancement of women [110]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.22/Rev.1

2. Promotion and protection of the rights of children [113]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.28 (programme budget implications: A/C.3/58/L.84)

3. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [117 (b)]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.30/Rev.2 and amendments thereto, contained in document A/C.3/58/L.81

Fifth Committee

9.30 a.m. 21st meeting Conference Room 3

1. Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 (A/58/269, A/58/366, A/58/367, A/58/368, A/58/550, A/58/597, A/58/554 and A/58/605) [131]

   Introduction and general discussion

2. Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (A/58/226, A/58/288, A/58/368, A/58/593, A/58/449 and A/58/605) [132]

   Introduction and general discussion

3. Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 [120]

Second performance report (A/58/558, A/58/558/Add.1 and A/58/604)

Introduction and general discussion

4. Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 [120]

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 [121]

Administrative expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund (A/58/214, A/58/214/Corr.1 and A/58/7/Add.9)

Introduction and general discussion

5. Report of the Economic and Social Council (A/58/3, chap. I) [12]

Delegation of formal authority in matters of personnel of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities (A/C.5/58/2 and A/C.5/58/2/Corr.1)

Morning[1]–12.30 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 120 (Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003: second performance report (A/58/558, A/58/558/Add.1 and A/58/604))

2.30–4.45 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 131 (Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 (A/58/269, A/58/366, A/58/367, A/58/368, A/58/550, A/58/597, A/58/554 and A/58/605)); and 132 (Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (A/58/226, A/58/368, A/58/288, A/58/593, A/58/449 and A/58/605))

[1] Following the adjournment of the 21st meeting of the Fifth Committee

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. Capital Master Plan

2. Draft report

Investments Committee

9 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 8
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 8

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Informal consultations under agenda item 47 (Follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS)

1.15–2.45 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room C

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Follow up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS" (agenda item 47), organized under the auspices of the Office of the President of the General Assembly and facilitated by H.E. Mr. Denis Dangue Rewaka, Permanent Representative of Gabon to the United Nations

Second Committee

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.38 entitled "Commodities" (agenda item 91 (g)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Guyana)

9.30 a.m.–12 noon	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6

Informal "informals" on draft resolutions A/C.2/58/L.7 entitled "Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in those countries experiencing serious drought and/or desertification, particularly in Africa"; and A/C.2/58/L.15 entitled "International Year of Deserts and Desertification, 2004" (agenda item 94 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Nigeria)

10 a.m.–12 noon	Closed meeting	Room C-209B

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.10 entitled "International Strategy for Disaster Reduction" (agenda item 94 (e)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland)

10 a.m.–12 noon	Closed meeting	Conference Room D

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.41 entitled "Role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence" (agenda item 100) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Chile)

12 noon–1.45 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.14 entitled "Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind" (agenda item 94 (f)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Argentina)

12 noon–2 p.m. Closed meeting Room C-209B

Informal "informals" on draft resolutions A/C.2/58/L.32 entitled "International Trade and Development" (agenda item 91 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland)

12 noon–3 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.2 entitled "Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds and assets of illicit origin and returning such funds and assets to the countries of origin" (agenda item 92) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Portugal)

2–3 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.26 entitled "Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy, including the implementation of the World Solar Programme 1996-2005" (agenda item 94 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Croatia)

3–4.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Informal "informals" on draft resolutions A/C.2/58/L.39 entitled "High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development"; and A/C.2/58/L.40 entitled "Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development" (agenda item 104) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Cameroon)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.37 entitled "International migration and development" (agenda 93 (c)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Portugal)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.18 entitled "External debt crisis and development" (agenda item 91 (e)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Guatemala)

4–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.30 entitled "Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States" (agenda item 94 (d)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of New Zealand)

4.30–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.8 entitled "International Decade for Action 'Water for Life', 2005-2015" (agenda item 95) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic)

5–6 p.m. Closed meeting Room S-2963D

Informal "informals" on draft resolutions A/C.2/58/L.20 entitled "Science and Technology for Development" (agenda item 91 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran)

5.15–6 p.m. Closed meeting Room C-209B

Other meetings

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Monday, 24 November 2003

Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) *(at the ambassadorial level)*

10–11 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Group of 77 *(on Third Committee issues)*

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Group of 77 *(Second Committee: programme of work, and other macroeconomic issues)*

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Group of 77 *(Second Committee: environment and sustainable development)*

12 noon–2 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

Group of 77 *(on the Marrakech Conference on South-South Cooperation)*

1–2 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Group of 77 *(on humanitarian issues)*

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)*

4.45–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Group of 77 *(Second Committee: public administration, and macroeconomic issues)*

5–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Non-Aligned Movement: Informal Working Group

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Arab Group *(at the ambassadorial level)*

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Western European and Other States Group

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Towards global partnerships" (agenda item 46) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy)

12 noon–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled " World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance and the Comprehensive Implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action" (agenda item 115 (b)) (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Morocco)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support" (agenda item 39 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Ethiopia)

2–3 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

Informal consultations on the draft resolution under agenda items 28 and 40 (f) (Afghanistan) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (GRULAC)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

United Nations Office for Project Services

There will be an informal consultation on various issues contained in Executive Board decisions 2003/26 and 2003/27, on Monday, 24 November 2003, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, in the Main Conference Room (4th floor) at UNOPS Headquarters.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Monday, 24 November 2003

Room S-226

Guest at 12 noon — Judge Dolliver Nelson, President of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (on the work of the Tribunal)

12.45 p.m. Ms. Noeleen Heyzer, Executive Director of the United Nations Development Fund for Women; Ms. Yolanda B. Jiménez, Commissioner of the Office to Combat Domestic Violence, New York; Ms. Jivka Marinova, Bulgarian Gender Research Foundation; and Ms. Nathalia P. Kimaro, Judge in the High Court of the United Republic of Tanzania (on the occasion of International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women)

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

The Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East will meet on Wednesday, 3 December 2003, at 11 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

The Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will hold a solemn meeting on Monday, 1 December 2003, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, in observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 32/40 B of 2 December 1977.

The representatives of all Member States, United Nations bodies and agencies, as well as observers, are invited to attend. Messages of solidarity should be sent to room S-3350.

Economic and Social Council

The Economic and Social Council will hold informal "informals", chaired by Mr. José Briz Gutiérrez (Guatemala), on Wednesday, 26 November 2003, from 9 to 10 a.m. in Conference Room D, to discuss item 13 (a) (Economic and environmental questions: Sustainable development) (Decision 11/2: Bureau of the Commission on Sustainable Development).

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
Extraordinary budget session for 2003

The extraordinary budget session of the Executive Board of UNICEF will take place on Monday and Tuesday, 1 and 2 December 2003, in Conference Room 2. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2003/14. Advance copies of the documents for the session are available on the UNICEF Web site (www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_15100.html).

Other forthcoming meetings

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Group of 77 *(at the ambassadorial level)*

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(at the ambassadorial level)* on Wednesday, 26 November 2003, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Group of 77 (*Second Committee: environment and sustainable development)*

There will be meetings of the Group of 77 (*Second Committee: environment and sustainable development*) on Wednesday, 26 November 2003, from 2 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

JUSCANZ Group *(on Second Committee matters)*

There will be meetings of the JUSCANZ Group *(on Second Committee matters)* from 9 to 9.45 a.m., as follows: 26 November and 2 December 2003, in Conference Room 9; and 9 December, in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Towards global partnerships" (agenda item 46) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy)

There will be informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Toward global partnerships" (agenda item 46), organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy, on Wednesday, 26 November 2003, from 10 to 11 a.m. in *Conference Room A*.

UNITAR seminar on "The Use of Local Energy Resources for Local Purposes: Natural Gas and Rural Poverty"

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a seminar on "The Use of Local Energy Resources for Local Purposes: Natural Gas and Rural Poverty", to be held on the following dates: Monday, 1 December 2003, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; and Tuesday, 2 December, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. A letter has been sent to all the permanent missions in New York. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

UNITAR/OLA seminar on deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Treaty Section of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs (OLA) are jointly conducting a seminar on deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties. The seminar, to be conducted in English, will be held on Wednesday, 3 and Thursday, 4 December 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., in Conference Room 9.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, the tentative programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all permanent missions in New York. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 26 November 2003. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 1 (212) 963-9196).

Joint Government of Finland–UNDP seminar on combating corruption

There will be a joint Government of Finland–UNDP seminar on combating corruption on Thursday, 4 December 2003, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8. For further information, please contact Ms. Magdy Martinez-Soliman (e-mail magdy.martinez-soliman@undp.org); or Mr. Patrick Lally (tel. 1 (212) 906-6633); e-mail patrick.lally@undp.org).

UNITAR/WTO workshop on international trade negotiations

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the World Trade Organization (WTO) are jointly organizing a workshop on international trade negotiations, as part of the international trade series. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held from Monday, 8 December, to Wednesday, 10 December 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, the tentative programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all permanent missions in New York. The registration deadline is Monday, 1 December 2003. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 1 (212) 963-9196).

Announcements

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Thursday, 6 November 2003, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Global Forum of Indigenous Peoples and the Information Society

On the occasion of the World Summit on the Information Society, the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues is organizing a major parallel conference, the Global Forum of Indigenous Peoples and the Information Society, to be held in Geneva from 8 to 11 December 2003. Information regarding the proposed agenda and programme of work is available at www.un.org/esa/socdev/pfii/. Delegations of Member States wishing to register may contact Mr. John G. Scott, Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (e-mail scott9@un.org).

Summary of meetings

Thursday, 20 November 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Main Committees

Third Committee

52nd meeting

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [117 (b)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.63

The representative of Austria introduced and orally revised the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Armenia, Ecuador, Ethiopia, Mauritius, the Republic of Moldova and Romania.

Brazil, Malta, Panama, Peru, Serbia and Montenegro, Thailand and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution, as orally revised.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.64

The representative of Austria introduced and orally revised the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as the Republic of Moldova and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

Albania, Armenia, Brazil, Ecuador, Guatemala, Malta, Panama, Paraguay, Romania, Serbia and Montenegro and Thailand joined in sponsoring the draft resolution, as orally revised.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.65

The representative of Ireland introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Chile, Lesotho, Mali, Suriname and Trinidad and Tobago.

Ecuador, Georgia, Ghana, Panama, the Republic of Moldova, Swaziland and Zimbabwe joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of document A/C.3/58/L.66

The representative of the Netherlands introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Albania, Australia, Bulgaria, Costa Rica, Dominica, Lithuania and Ukraine.

Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Congo, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Malta, Mongolia, Nicaragua, Panama, the Republic of Moldova, Romania, Rwanda, Thailand, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, the United States of America and Uruguay joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.70

The representative of Cuba introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Andorra, Burundi and the Gambia.

Djibouti, Lesotho, Mauritania, the Niger and Somalia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.71

The representative of Mexico introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Croatia, Ecuador, Egypt, Honduras, Lithuania, Malta, Panama, Romania, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and Ukraine.

Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Estonia, Suriname and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.72

The representative of Cuba introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document.

Cambodia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [117 (c)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/58/L.69

The representative of Canada introduced and orally revised the draft resolution and informed the Committee that Finland and Liechtenstein had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Israel also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [115 (a)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.33/Rev.1

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Brazil orally revised the draft resolution and informed the Committee that Ecuador had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Andorra, Barbados, Bolivia, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Haiti, Kenya, and Monaco also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The representatives of Brazil and Malaysia further orally revised the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution as further orally revised.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representatives of Liechtenstein (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Switzerland), Brazil, the Sudan, New Zealand, Cuba, Benin, Argentina and the United States made statements.

Right of peoples to self-determination [116]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.31

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Pakistan informed the Committee that Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Iraq and Somalia had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Comoros and Mozambique also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The representatives of Pakistan, Singapore, Algeria, India, Malaysia, Italy, Egypt, Chile and Liechtenstein made statements.

The representative of Italy made a statement.

The representative of the Office of Legal Affairs made a statement.

The following delegations withdrew as co-sponsors of the draft resolution: Benin, Botswana, Dominican Republic, and Kenya.

53rd meeting *Right of peoples to self-determination* [116]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.31

The Committee resumed its consideration of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.31.

The representative of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines withdrew as a co-sponsor.

The representative of India made a statement.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, by a recorded vote of 88 to 3, with 64 abstentions.

After the adoption, the representatives of Myanmar, the United States, Argentina, Armenia, Cyprus, Burkina Faso, the United Kingdom, Indonesia, Nepal, Canada (also, on behalf of Australia and New Zealand), Liechtenstein, Ethiopia, Portugal, the Dominican Republic, Mongolia, Turkmenistan, Fiji, Austria and Cape Verde made statements.

The representatives of Pakistan, Bangladesh, Malaysia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Ireland, Cuba, India, Thailand, Nigeria, the Republic of Korea, Croatia and Bulgaria also made statements.

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [117 (b)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.50

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

Following a statement by the representative of Malaysia, the Committee adopted the draft resolution.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.51

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Malaysia made a statement and orally corrected the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, by a recorded vote of 118 to 50, with one abstention.

The representative of Australia made a statement (also on behalf of Liechtenstein, New Zealand and Switzerland).

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.53

The Secretary read out a statement regarding financial provisions related to the draft resolution.

The representative of Brazil made a statement and announced that Austria, Finland, Greece, Honduras, Ireland, Italy, Liechtenstein and Switzerland had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Niger also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised and corrected, by a recorded vote of 166 to 1, with 5 abstentions.

Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of Egypt, the United Kingdom (also on behalf of Sweden) and the United States. The representative of the Czech Republic made a statement in explanation of vote after the vote.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.54

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Algeria made a statement and announced that Eritrea, Madagascar, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Tajikistan and Tunisia and had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Nepal and Kyrgyzstan also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, by a recorded vote of 111 to 39, with 17 abstentions.

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation and the United States (in explanation of vote).

After the vote, statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives of Italy (on behalf of the European Union and its acceding countries), the Syrian Arab Republic, Spain and Romania.

Statements were also made by the representatives of Lebanon and Turkey.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.55

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of India made a statement and announced that Finland, Guyana, Haiti, Hungary, Nepal, Peru and Portugal had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Albania, Armenia, Belarus, Brazil, Fiji, Malta, the Niger, the Republic of Moldova, the Russian Federation, Sweden, Switzerland and the United States of America also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as corrected, without a vote.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.56

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Cameroon made a statement.

Benin and the Niger joined in sponsoring the draft resolution, which was then adopted by the Committee.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.58

The Secretary read out a statement regarding financial provisions related to the draft resolution.

The representative of Norway orally revised the draft resolution and announced that Morocco had joined as a sponsor.

Armenia, Benin, Bolivia and the Niger also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution, as orally revised, which was then adopted by the Committee.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic and Cuba.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.60

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Brazil orally revised the draft resolution and announced that Belgium, Ireland, Luxembourg, Monaco, Portugal and Trinidad and Tobago had joined as sponsors.

Algeria, Austria, Benin, Bolivia, Djibouti, Fiji, Gabon, Grenada, Indonesia, Jamaica, Madagascar, Mauritania, Morocco, Nicaragua and Somalia also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally corrected and revised, by a recorded vote of 167 to one.

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote before the vote.

Friday, 21 November 2003

Security Council

4869th meeting

The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard briefings by the representatives of the United States and the United Kingdom.

Statements were then made by the representatives of France, Germany, Chile, China, the Russian Federation, Spain, Bulgaria, the Syrian Arab Republic, Mexico, Cameroon, Pakistan and Guinea, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Angola.

The representatives of the United States and the United Kingdom responded to comments and questions raised.

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Main Committees

Third Committee

54th meeting

The summary of the 54th meeting of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2003/227).

Fifth Committee

20th meeting

Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (A/58/381, A/58/447 and A/58/447/Corr.1) [138]

The Committee resumed its general discussion of this agenda item.

The representative of Uruguay made a statement.

The Controller replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this agenda item would begin on that day, Friday, 21 November, following the adjournment of the formal meeting, under the chairmanship Mr. Asdrubal Pulido de León (Venezuela), Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [134]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Special measures for protection from sexual exploitation and sexual abuse (A/58/559)

In the absence of speakers, the Committee thus concluded its consideration of this question.

Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 [120]

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 [121]

Financing of the United Nations Mission in Côte d'Ivoire [161]

The Committee began its consideration of these agenda items.

The Controller introduced the reports of the Secretary-General (A/58/370, A/58/535, A/C.5/58/12 and A/58/598).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/58/538).

The representative of the United States made a statement.

Financing of the United Nations Mission in Liberia [165]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Director of the Peacekeeping Financing Division introduced the report of the Secretary-General (A/58/539).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/58/591).

Statements were made by the representatives of Botswana (on behalf of the African Group), Italy (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway), Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada) and Japan.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this agenda item would begin on that day, Friday, 21 November, in the afternoon, under the chairmanship Ms. Margaret Stanley (Ireland).

Convention against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment

Committee against Torture
Thirty-first session
United Nations Office at Geneva

Wednesday, 19 November 2003

587th meeting — *Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention* [7]

The Committee continued its examination of the initial report of Lithuania (CA/C/37/Add.5).

It then adopted its conclusions and recommendations on Colombia in closed session.

588th meeting — *Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention* [7]

The Committee continued the examination of the third periodic report of Cameroon (CAT/C/34/Add.17).

Organizational and other matters [5]

The Committee considered the item.

Thursday, 20 November 2003

589th meeting — *Consideration of information under article 20 of the Convention* [8]

The Committee discussed matters relating to article 20 of the Convention.

Consideration of communications under article 22 of the Convention [9]

The Committee considered this item.

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [7]

The Committee adopted its conclusions and recommendations on Morocco and Latvia. and rendered public its conclusions and recommendations on Colombia.

590th meeting — *Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention* [7]

The Committee continued the examination of the third periodic report of Cameroon (CAT/C/34/Add.17).

It then adopted its conclusions and recommendations on Cambodia, Yemen, Lithuania and Cameroon.

Friday, 21 November 2003

591st meeting — *Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention* [7]

The Committee rendered public its conclusions and recommendations on Cameroon, Lithuania and Yemen.

Organizational and other matters [5]

Submission of reports by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [6]

The Committee considered these items.

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
Thirty-first session
United Nations Office at Geneva

Friday, 21 November 2003

48th meeting

Consideration of reports [6]

(a) Reports submitted by States parties in accordance with articles 16 and 17 of the Covenant

(b) Reports submitted by specialized agencies in accordance with article 18 of the Covenant

The Committee continued to adopt the concluding observations on the initial report of Yemen (E/1990/5/Add.52).

49th meeting

The Committee began to adopt the concluding observations on the initial report of the Republic of Moldova (E/1990/5/Add.54).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. Kyoto, 11 December 1997

Ratification: Philippines (20 November 2003)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety to the Convention on Biological Diversity. Montreal, 29 January 2000

Ratification: Germany (20 November 2003)[1]

Accession: Japan (21 November 2003)[1]

Amendments to the Convention on the International Maritime Organization, (institutionalization of the Facilitation Committee). London, 7 November 1991

Acceptance: Ghana (21 November 2003)[1]

Protocol to the 1979 Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution on Further Reduction of Sulphur Emissions. Oslo, 14 June 1994

Territorial application in respect of the Isle of Man: United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (21 November 2003)[1]

United Nations Convention Against Corruption. New York, 31 October 2003

Opening for signature

The above Convention was adopted on 31 October 2003, during the plenary meeting of the General Assembly at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

The Convention will be open for signature from 9 to 11 December 2003 at the "Centro de Convenciones y Exposiciones Yucatán Siglo XXI" in Mérida, Mexico, and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters in New York until 9 December 2005 by all States and by regional economic integration organizations, provided that at least one Member State of such organization is a signatory to the Convention.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in the possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities. Full powers are distinct from credentials. Credentials alone are not adequate for the purpose of signing a treaty.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Convention could, as necessary, provide copies of the required full powers by *4 December 2003* to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in New York (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org). Original instruments of full powers should be provided to the depositary representative at the signature ceremony.

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

UNIFEM event on the occasion of the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women (25 November)

On the occasion of the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women, the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) will hold a special event entitled "Not A Minute More" on Monday, 24 November 2003, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Ms. Rabya Nizam (UNIFEM) (tel. 1 (212) 906-5538; e-mail rabya.nizam@undp.org).

International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

Exhibit

In observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, in cooperation with the Permanent Observer Mission of Palestine to the United Nations, will present a Palestinian cultural exhibit entitled "Palestine: Reflections of Resilience and Hope." The exhibit will be displayed from Monday, 1 December, to Monday, 15 December 2003, in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building.

The formal opening of the exhibit will be held on Monday, 1 December 2003, at 6 p.m. in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building.

Screening of films

Also in observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People has arranged the screening of two films "Palestine: Story of a Land (Parts I and II)," which will be shown on Monday, 1 December at 1 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium, and "Crossing Kalandia," which can be viewed at the exhibit area from Tuesday, 2 December, to Monday, 15 December, during exhibit hours.

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of November 2003 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:

Sierra Leone
H.E. Mr. Joe Robert Pemagbi

Asian States:

Philippines
H.E. Mr. Lauro Baja, Jr.

Eastern European States:

The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
Mr. Dimce Nikolov
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Cuba
H.E. Mr. Bruno Rodríguez Parrilla

Western European and other States:
Finland
H.E. Ms. Marjatta Rasi

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:
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A/58/PV.23	Meeting held on 6 October 2003, 10 a.m. [A F]
A/58/PV.25	Meeting held on 7 October 2003, 10 a.m. [F]
	Disarmament Commission
A/CN.10/PV.255	Meeting held on 17 April 2003, 4 p.m. [F]
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A/58/457	Item 68 — Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security — Report of the First Committee [A C E F R S]
A/58/544	Item 121 — Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 — United Nations Institute for Training and Research — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/558	Item 120 — Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 — Second performance report on the programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
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Weapons — Letter dated 11 November 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Chile to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

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A/58/604 Item 120 — Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 — Second performance report on the programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 — Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S]

A/58/605 Items 131 and 132 — Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 — Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 — Second performance report of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia for the biennium 2002-2003 — Second performance report of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda for the biennium 2002-2003 — Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S]

A/58/609 Item 134 — Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations — Transfer of buildings to the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi — Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S]

A/58/L.18 Item 52 (b) — Oceans and the law of the sea: sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments — 29-Power draft resolution — Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments [A C E F R S]

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S/2003/1109	Letter dated 20 November 2003 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
S/2003/1110	Letter dated 18 November 2003 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
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